

man Princes were gathered. Opposite this structure were the military and other nobilities as well as the members of the Diplomatic Corps.

Emperor William, in his speech, dedicating the building, said:

"I have decided in the name of the Sovereign and the people of the Empire, in conjunction with the Constitutional representatives of the German people, to lay the foundation stone of the house in which their legislative bodies will be seated."

The emperor, who laid the foundation stone of this building, was not permitted to witness the completion of the work his glory crowned. His son, by God's decree, was called away before he was in the same way.

"We place with heartfelt gratitude these great predecessors in imperial dignity. We will, we are certain, their memory continue to live forever in the minds of all Germans."

Ten years has been occupied in the erection of the structure which now rises to the honor of United Fatherland, firmly welded by German hands, a testimony to German industry and German strength.

"Be it now handed over for its appointed purpose, and may the fear of God, the spirit of love of the Fatherland and concord rest within its walls."

"Let the structure remain a monument to the great times in which the Empire arose—an exhortation to coming generations to preserve with inviolable loyalty what their forefathers secured with their blood."

"May God bless it."

Two copies of the Emperor's speech were made and counterigned by Prince Hohenzollern. One was placed under the cornerstone and the other was added to the archives of the Reichstag.

The new Reichstag building, a monumental structure, has taken over ten years to build.

On June 9, 1884, the foundation was laid by Emperor William in the presence of the nearly all the German Princes and rulers.

Since that time the chief architect, Paul Wallat, and scores of assistants, sculptors, painters, carvers and artisans from every part of Germany have been busy on the structure, and now it is being dedicated to its proper use. Yet it is not any means simple and finished in all its details. Among the more noteworthy objects it still lacks are the great Hunsrück statue to be placed in the front facade; the two gigantic heralds, to be placed on the east frontage, and the outer decorative surroundings, which, with the complete clearing of the square around the building, will take years.

It stands on the east side of the Königsplatz, a stone's throw from the Column of Victory, and covers 11,000 square meters, and cost 13,000,000 marks to build and equip, of which 18,000,000 were asked for under the first estimate.

As to the style of architecture it is a special creation of the architect, belonging strictly to no school at all. The building is quadrangular, flanked by four towers, and bears in its front facade its roof a cupola made of gilt wrought iron.

A TRUCE FOR TEN DAYS?

Rumors of an Armistice Between Japan and China.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 5.—It is rumored here that a ten days' armistice has been arranged between China and Japan, and it is said that the terms of peace which are still under negotiation are to include an indemnity and the formation of a buffer State consisting of the country now held by the Japanese.

China now fears the more than Japan, as the supplies of rice have been kept back too long.

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DE LESSEPS NEAR DEATH.

The Great Engineer Said to Be in a Critical Condition.

Nearly Ninety Years of Age and Very Feeble.

PARIS, Dec. 5.—Count Ferdinand de Lesseps, the distinguished engineer who pierced the Isthmus of Suez by means of a canal, and who tried to unite the

Atlantic and Pacific oceans by a waterway across the Isthmus of Panama, is announced to be in a critical condition. He was born in 1805.

Funeral of Father Clancy.

Funeral services of the late Reverend Andrew J. Clancy, pastor of St. Ann's Church, in East Twelfth street, were held this morning. The celebrant was Rev. James Kelly, of Williamsbridge.

Grip—Poison Ivy.

A professional nurse, well known in Massachusetts, says: "After a severe cold, followed by the grip, I gave up and took to my bed. I employed physicians without relief and determined to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. I took one bottle and I was feeling much better. I continued with the second bottle and in the middle of May I started for my home, or rather summer residence, at Brewster, Cape Cod. While there I came in contact with poison ivy and my hands became very sore. I continued to take Hood's Sarsaparilla, and in a short time I overcame my affliction and gave me renewed health, so that after the first of July I was able to do my work and now feel in the best of health." SARAH J. CHAMMAN, Brewster, Mass. Remember

Hood's Sarsaparilla Cures

Hood's Pills act easily yet promptly and efficiently, on the liver and bowels.

Great Sale of Diamond Jewelry.

\$50,000 worth of Diamond Jewelry purchased by us at a great sacrifice, to be sold at about 50 cents on the dollar.

Solid gold snake rings, set with genuine white cut brilliant diamonds, regular price \$13.50, at 6.98.

These solid gold rings, set with genuine pure white brilliant diamonds, price \$12, at 7.49.

Gentlemen's solid gold rings, hand-engraved, set with 1 genuine white cut brilliant diamond and one genuine sapphire and one ruby or emerald, regular price \$13.50, at 6.98.

This Solid Gold Cluster Scepter Pin, set with two pure white cut diamonds, and one sapphire, ruby, emerald or opal, regular price \$18.00, at 6.98.

These genuine pure white brilliant diamonds, set in solid gold settings, regular price \$13.00, special at 11.98.

Same can be had in solid gold screw knobs, set with genuine diamonds, fit close to the ear, regular price \$18.00, special at 11.98.

Smoking Jackets and House Coats.

Special Lot at \$1.49—German and English fabrics, in plaids and checks, sizes 40, 42 and 44 only (slightly soiled); regular prices were \$2.98 to \$3.98, all at 1.49.

Special Lot at \$2.49—Fine French Plaid and Velvets, fine workmanship (slightly soiled); regular prices were \$4.98 to \$7.98, all at 2.49.

Several other lots at \$3.98 and \$4.98; regular prices were \$8.98 to \$11.98, but being slightly imperfect, they are marked for this sale only at above prices.

Boys' Clothing.

Thursday till noon only, at \$2.69.

1 lot Boys' Double-Breasted Suits, sizes to 14 years, with extra pair pants, made with double seat and knee, material, heavy weight Baskin Cheviot; regular value \$2.50, at 2.69.

3 lots Dark Cheviot and Cassimere Suits, including Zouave and Junior Suits, worth \$4.50, at 2.69.

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NEWARK WANTS ONE.

Fall River Also After a Club in the Eastern Baseball League.

Scranton and Wilkesbarre Likely to Have a Clash for Place.

Yonkers-Allentown Will Not Apply for a Franchise.

The annual convention of the Eastern Baseball League opened at noon today at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. A considerable amount of business of a routine character has to be disposed of. While the arrangement of the circuit for the coming season is expected to occupy some time.

Erle, which played all last season, will drop out, while Yonkers—the Allentown Club, which concluded last season at Binghamton, will not apply for franchise. Scranton came last as a substitute for Troy, and is anxious to remain in the circuit.

Two new clubs, Newark and Fall River, are in the field for membership, and the Newark's expected to make a very hard fight to come into the League.

President P. T. Powers, who was the first delegate to put in an appearance this morning, declined to give any opinion as to the four clubs which will hold the franchise in the Eastern end of the circuit for the coming season. Springfield and Providence are considered as practically assured, and between Scranton and Wilkesbarre there may be a tough fight as to the other vacancies.

The Western end will comprise Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse and Toronto, and on that score there will be no opposition.

It was announced that the Board of directors, which consists of Franklin, of Buffalo; Robert, of Wilkesbarre; Sheen, of Springfield; Depinet, of Erie; with President Powers, as ex-officio, would meet at 11 o'clock, but as Sheen had not arrived no business of any kind was attempted until noon.

The delegates in attendance are: Buffalo, James Franklin; Providence, W. H. Draper, E. A. Johnson; Erie, Charles H. Morton, Syracuse, George N. Kuntzsch; Wilkesbarre, E. F. Robert; L. W. Long; Scranton, W. L. Betts; J. A. Swartz; Springfield, Charles T. Sheen, Thomas E. Burns.

A. J. Buckenberger, who was reinstated by the National Board yesterday, was early in attendance, and was accompanied by Mr. Le Roy, of the Pittsburgh Club, who is interesting himself in supporting the application of Buckenberger for the management of the Toronto Club.

President Powers said he hoped that Buckenberger and Burnham would see some Toronto men and come to an arrangement as to the management of the Club. Representatives from Rochester and Reading are also present to urge the merits of those cities for Eastern League franchises.

JOHNNY WARD AS DIRECTOR?

Story to That Effect Circulated, but Does Not Build Ready Credence.

A story, built upon the presumption that Director Talcott, of the New York Baseball Club, is tired of his onerous duties, makes the assertion that his place will be filled next season by John M. Ward, who last week resigned from the presidency and management of the Club.

It is further said that Mr. Talcott desires to get out of his stock at 30 cents on the dollar. This, in view of

SEE HERE, MR. GOFF!

The Drug Man who says that any other remedy for a cough or cold is JUST AS GOOD AS

Riker's Expectorant

Ought to be handed up before the Lesson Committee. He's a BRIDE TAKER! Look out for him!

Only 50 cents a big bottle, and your money back IF IT FAILS. Of your druggist, or at

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HAMMERSLOUGH BROS.

Sweeping Reduction Sale

Full Dress

Coats and Vests.

We have marked down 350 Full Dress (Swallow Tail) Coats and Vests, sold by us all season at \$12, \$17.50 and \$25, and will sell them for THREE DAYS ONLY (To-morrow, Friday and Saturday), at

\$6.50, \$9 and \$12.50.

The skirts of these coats are cut in last season's length, but in every other respect the garments are stylish and up to date. They are made of fine broadcloth and imported whipcord—it is handsomely and most of them are full silk lined.

To-morrow, Friday and Saturday only. Some at both stores.

HAMMERSLOUGH BROS.

Bleecker St., Cor. Greene.

(Between Broadway and E. 11th St.)

Also Broadway, Cor. Rector St. (Opposite Trinity Church)

the fact that the profits of last season were largely in excess of the officially stated sum of \$40,000, is considered a bit amusing.

The fact is also lost sight of that there are other directors, who may not accept Mr. Ward as their choice, however greatly it would please one of their number to have a position as managing director of which he is justly proud, to say nothing of throwing away paying stock in the concern, which he has been largely instrumental in placing upon a successful basis.

Tappen Don't Like Olmsted.

When the minutes of a previous meeting of the Park Board were read to Mr. Tappen wanted an amendment inserted, saying that Mr. Olmsted stated he supposed the driveway was to run along the top of the bluff, or at least on high ground. Commissioner Bell objected. Mr. Tappen's amendment will go into the printed records of the Board.

HE WAS AN OBJECT LESSON.

Policeman Dunn, Once Exposed by Mr. Goff, Must Stand Trial.

Policeman Bernard Dunn, of the Eighth Precinct, was arrested this morning for assault in the third degree upon the complaint of Thomas Lucas, of 21 King street, and David McHugh, of 17 Varick street. They alleged that Officer Dunn assaulted them and beat them with a club on the night of Sept. 28. He was admitted to bail in the sum of \$1,000, Frederick D. Mahoney, of 212 Spring street, going on his bond.

Dunn is the same policeman who was held up by Mr. Goff before the Lexow Committee as an object lesson and example of a clubbing policeman.

SAVE MONEY and buy Free Wool CARPETS and Rugs at "Goff's" new store, 104 West 14th st.

GREATER NEW YORK'S GREATEST STORE.

Flannel Undershirts, 25c.

Bankrupt Stock

of a leading Cloak Manufacturer, all this season's most stylish and desirable garments, to be sold at about half value.

CLOAKS, \$4.98

Worth \$7.50.

CLOAKS, \$8.90

Worth \$12.50.

CLOAKS, 15.75

Worth \$30.00

Including a lot of very desirable Seal Plush Jackets.

Golf Capes at \$4.98, \$6.98 and \$8.98.

About Half Former Prices.

GREAT HOLIDAY SALE OF EYEGLASSES AND SPECTACLES AT 25 CENTS ON THE DOLLAR. Free with every pair a silk eyeglass cord and case.

\$1.25 highly tempered nickel steel Spectacles and Eyeglasses.

\$1.75 Goldtone Eyeglasses and Spectacles, warranted to wear as well as gold.

\$3.00 Wild Silver Eyeglasses and Spectacles.

\$5.00 Solid Gold Eyeglasses and Spectacles.

Complete Violin Outfit, Stradivarius Viol